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Status						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>08 Ju</u>	ıne 2006.					
_	action is non-final.					
•	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
closed in accordance with the practice under E						
Disposition of Claims						
4) Claim(s) 1-25 is/are pending in the application.						
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-7 and 17-25</u> is/are allowed.						
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>8-16</u> is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or	r election requirement.					
Application Papers						
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine	ır.					
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10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner. Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CER 1.85(a)						
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11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex	,	•				
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
12)⊠ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign	priority under 35 H.S.C. & 110/s)-(d) or (f)				
a)⊠ All b)□ Some * c)□ None of:	phoney under 55 5.5.5. § 119(a	y-(d) or (i).				
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1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)						
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DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. Applicant is reminded of the proper language and format for an abstract of the disclosure.

The abstract should be in narrative form and generally limited to a single paragraph on a separate sheet within the range of 50 to 150 words. It is important that the abstract not exceed 150 words in length since the space provided for the abstract on the computer tape used by the printer is limited. The form and legal phraseology often used in patent claims, such as "means" and "said," should be avoided. The abstract should describe the disclosure sufficiently to assist readers in deciding whether there is a need for consulting the full patent text for details.

The language should be clear and concise and should not repeat information given in the title. It should avoid using phrases which can be implied, such as, "The disclosure concerns," "The disclosure defined by this invention," "The disclosure describes," etc.

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because the implied phrases.

Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

3. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

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4. Claims 8-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

A single claim which claims both an apparatus and the method (process) steps of using the apparatus is indefinite under **35 U.S.C. 112**, second paragraph. In *Ex parte Lyell*, 17 USPQ2d 1548 (Bd. Pat. App. & Inter. 1990),

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

- 5. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:
 - Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.
- 6. Claims 8-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The claim is directed to neither a "process" nor a "machine," but rather embraces or overlaps two different statutory classes of invention set forth in **35 U.S.C. 101** which is drafted so as to set forth the statutory classes of invention in the alternative only. *Id.* at 1551.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 7. Claims 1-7 and 17-25 are allowed.
- 8. As allowable subject matter has been indicated, applicant's reply must either comply with all formal requirements or specifically traverse each requirement not complied with. See 37 CFR 1.111(b) and MPEP § 707.07(a).

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Response to Arguments

9. Applicant's arguments filed June 8, 2005 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

The abstract is the abstract of the disclosure, not the invention or claims.

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The claims still claims an apparatus and a process or method.

Conclusion

- 10. If applicants wish to request for an interview, an "Applicant Initiated Interview Request" form (PTOL-413A) should be submitted to the examiner prior to the interview in order to permit the examiner to prepare in advance for the interview and to focus on the issues to be discussed. This form should identify the participants of the interview, the proposed date of the interview, whether the interview will be personal, telephonic, or video conference, and should include a brief description of the issues to be discussed. A copy of the completed "Applicant Initiated Interview Request" form should be attached to the Interview Summary form, PTOL-413 at the completion of the interview and a copy should be given to applicant or applicant's representative.
- 11. If applicants request an interview after this **final rejection**, prior to the interview, the intended purpose and content of the interview should be presented briefly, in writing. Such an interview may be granted if the examiner is convinced that disposal or clarification for appeal may be accomplished with only nominal further consideration. Interviews merely to **restate arguments** of record or to **discuss new limitations** which would require more than nominal reconsideration or new search will be denied.

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12. THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- 13. A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE**MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within

 TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not

 mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the

 shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any

 extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of
 the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later
 than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.
- 14. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **WILLIAM D. CUMMING** whose telephone number is 571-272-7861. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 11am-8:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nick Corsaro can be reached on 571-272-7876. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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